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Examiner: Clarke, Sara

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

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RESPONSE B

Dear Sir:

Applicant acknowledges the Office Action dated January 18, 2005. Applicant offers the following amendment with the correct status indicators as requested in the January 18, 2005 Office Action. The remainder of the response is identical to that which was submitted on December 2, 2004.

Changes to the specification begin on page 2;

Changes to the claims begin on page 3; and

Remarks begin on page 8